

Remarks

The Final Office Action mailed June 08, 2007 has been carefully considered. After such, independent Claims 1; 15; and 20 have been amended to further distinguish the present invention over the prior art of record. As such, Claims 1-9 and 11-14; 15-19; and 20-27 and 29-36 remain in the case with none of the claims currently being allowed.

Independent Claims 1; 15; and 20 were rejected under §103(a) as obvious under the combination of Jost and Merritt. In response, these claims have been amended to specify the peripheral device as being separate from the headrest. It is respectfully submitted that this amendment patentably differentiates the present inventions over Jost wherein the peripheral device station is integrated with the headrest.

The originally filed specification clearly establishes that the peripheral device station is used by removing the detachable headrest and fitting the device into the receptacles of the seat from which the headrest was removed.¹ Since only the peripheral device station or headrest may be on the seat at one time, these two articles are inherently separate. Thus, no new matter has been introduced.

In light of the patentability of independent Claims 1; 15; and 20 as discussed above, dependent Claims 2-9 and 11-13; 16-19; and 21-27, 29-31 and 33-36 are likewise believed patentable over the combination of Jost and Merritt under §103(a). Furthermore, the rejection of dependent Claims 14 and 32 under the §103(a) combination of Jost, Merritt and Brooks also is deemed moot in light of the patentability of the independent Claims 1 and 20, from which the claims at issue respectively depend.

Also, as requested by the Examiner, dependent Claim 34 has been amended to correctly reflect the previous language of Claim 34 which was inadvertently changed due to a minor typographical error.

¹ "In operation of the preferred embodiment the detachable headrest is removed from the top of the passenger vehicle seat and stored in another location such as the trunk of the vehicle. The mounting posts of the adaptor are extended downwardly from the support surface. The mounting posts are then pushed into the mounting rod receptacles of the passenger vehicle seat until the support surface rests against the top of the vehicle seat. Next, the printer is attached to the support surface and secured as disclosed above." (Page 6, lines 19-24).

The Applicants submit that by this amendment, it has placed the case in condition for immediate allowance and such action is respectfully requested. However, if any issue remains unresolved, Applicant's attorney would welcome the opportunity for a telephone interview to expedite allowance and issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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